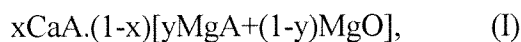


### **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

#### **Listing of the claims:**

Claim 1 (currently amended): Powdery composition which includes as a first component a calcic compound complying with formula I



in which

A is a  $\text{-(OH)}_2$  or  $\text{-CO}_2$  group, and

x and y are molar fractions where  $0 < x \leq 1$  and  $0 \leq y \leq 1$ ,

and which includes as a second component in the powdery composition a quantity of a mineral solid flow agent selected from the group consisting of vermiculite, perlite, diatomaceous earth and silica, in the form of particles having a size greater than  $90 \mu\text{m}$ , said quantity of mineral solid flow agent being greater than zero and less than 5% by weight of the powdery composition; and

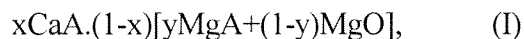
wherein the calcic compound which is included as the first component of the powdery composition has a particle size less than  $250 \mu\text{m}$ .

Claim 2 (previously presented) Composition according to claim 1, characterized in that it contains the flow agent in a quantity of less than or equal to 3% by weight.

Claim 3 (previously presented) Composition according to claim 1, characterized in that the mineral solid flow agent has a particle size greater than  $125 \mu\text{m}$ .

Claim 4 (previously presented) Composition according to claim 1, characterized in that the mineral solid flow agent is sand.

Claim 5 (previously presented) Powdery composition which includes as a first component a calcic compound complying with formula I



in which

A is a  $\text{=OH}_2$  or  $\text{=CO}_3$  group, and

x and y are molar fractions where  $0 < x < 1$  and  $0 < y < 1$ ,

and which includes as a second component in the powdery composition a quantity of a mineral solid flow agent in the form of particles having a size greater than  $90 \mu\text{m}$ , said quantity of mineral solid flow agent being greater than zero and less than 5% by weight of the powdery composition;

wherein the calcic compound which is included as the first component of the powdery composition has a particle size less than  $250 \mu\text{m}$ ; and

characterized in that the mineral solid flow agent is attapulgite.

Claim 6 (previously presented) Composition according to claim 1, characterized in that the mineral solid flow agent is raw vermiculite.

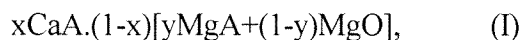
Claim 7 (previously presented) Composition according to claim 1, characterized in that the mineral solid flow agent is expanded vermiculite.

Claim 8 (previously presented) Composition according to claim 1, characterized in that the mineral solid flow agent is expanded perlite.

Claim 9 (previously presented) Composition according to claim 1, characterized in that the calcic compound is at a degree of purity greater than 90%.

Claim 10 (previously presented) Composition according to claim 1, characterized in that the calcic compound which makes up a first component of the powdery composition has a particle size of less than 20  $\mu\text{m}$ .

Claim 11 (new): Powdery composition which includes as a first component a calcic compound complying with formula I



in which

A is a  $\text{=OH}_2$  or  $\text{=CO}_3$  group, and

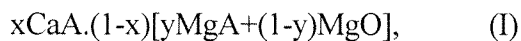
x and y are molar fractions where  $0 < x < 1$  and  $0 < y < 1$ ,

and which includes as a second component in the powdery composition a quantity of a mineral solid flow agent in the form of particles having a size greater than 90  $\mu\text{m}$ , said quantity of mineral solid flow agent being greater than zero and less than 5% by weight of the powdery composition;

wherein the calcic compound which is included as the first component of the powdery composition has a particle size less than 250  $\mu\text{m}$ ; and

characterized in that the mineral solid flow agent is raw vermiculite.

Claim 12 ( new): Powdery composition which includes as a first component a calcic compound complying with formula I



in which

A is a  $\text{=OH}_2$  or  $\text{=CO}_3$  group, and

x and y are molar fractions where  $0 < x < 1$  and  $0 < y < 1$ ,

and which includes as a second component in the powdery composition a quantity of a mineral solid flow agent in the form of particles having a size greater than  $90\text{ }\mu\text{m}$ , said quantity of mineral solid flow agent being greater than zero and less than 5% by weight of the powdery composition;

wherein the calcic compound which is included as the first component of the powdery composition has a particle size less than  $250\text{ }\mu\text{m}$ ; and

characterized in that the mineral solid flow agent is expanded vermiculite.